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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This preliminary amendment accompanies the filing of a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.60 of U.S. Serial No. 08/577,788 in which Claims 1-44 are currently pending.

**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

At p. 1, line 1, insert the following:

This application is a division of U.S. Serial No. 08/577,788, filed

December 22, 1995.

In the claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-44 without prejudice.

Please add the following claims:

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